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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, National Science Foundation

SUBJECT: Technical Assessment of U.S. - U.S.S.R.
Bilateral Agreements for Scientific
and Technological Cooperation

REFERENCE: Your Memorandum of 11 March 1974,
Subject as Above

1. I endorse fully your plans to conduct periodic review and technical assessment of the eight bilateral agreements for scientific and technological cooperation between the United States and the Soviet Union presently in force. Accordingly, I am issuing appropriate instructions to my staff to assure that [redacted] of our Office of Scientific Intelligence is available as required to participate as a member of your three-man Steering Group and that timely analytical contributions are provided as needed by the Intelligence Community and the Central Intelligence Agency. Moreover, I readily acknowledge the need-to-know of the Steering Group to receive all intelligence information related to the U.S. - U.S.S.R. bilateral agreements consistent with normal security practices. I am very hopeful that active participation by intelligence analysts in the review and assessment of the U.S. - U.S.S.R. bilateral agreements will result in a significant contribution and will help assure that maximum benefits from these agreements accrue to the United States.

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2. I am presently working with the United States Intelligence Board to strengthen the Intelligence Community's overall support to our Government's East-West Exchanges

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Program. I anticipate that the revised structure which we agree upon will eventually become the principal point of contact for your Steering Group. Accordingly, I shall keep you informed of our progress.

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Lieutenant General, USA
Acting Director**

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